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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

pursuant to Rule 149 of the Rules of Procedure

on establishing an inquiry committee on social media censorship

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Motion for a European Parliament resolution on establishing an inquiry committee on social media censorship

The European Parliament,

- having regard to Rule 149 of its Rules of Procedure,

A. Whereas freedom of expression is a fundamental human right and core European value, enshrined in the European Treaties, and essential to a democratic society based on the rule of law;

B. Whereas the acquisition of social media platform X, formerly Twitter, by Elon Musk revealed censorship practices that significantly affected democratic processes worldwide;

C. Whereas Meta CEO Mark Zuckerberg admitted to governmental pressure to censor political voices on platforms like Facebook and Instagram, raising concerns about the undue influence of state actors.

1. Calls for the establishment of a special committee of inquiry to investigate all forms of online censorship, focusing on direct mechanisms (including account banning), indirect mechanisms (including shadow banning), and the role of governmental or non-governmental actors in these practices;

2. Calls for a thorough review of the Digital Services Act to identify and address any potential misuse undermining fundamental rights;

3. Emphasizes the urgent need to uphold freedom of expression, including both freedom of speech and freedom of reach on social media, ensuring compliance with European Treaties and safeguarding democratic principles.

